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**AMENDMENT TRANSMITTAL  
AND REQUEST FOR EXTENSION OF TIME  
PURSUANT TO 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a)**

SIR:

Please find a Response to Office Action transmitted herewith for filing in the above-identified patent application.

Applicants hereby request a **one-month extension of time** for responding to the Office Action mailed August 27, 2003 for which a three month response period, expiring on November 27, 2003, was set. The one-month extended period for response expires on December 27, 2003. Please charge the 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a) one-month extension fee of **\$110.00** and any other fee that may be required to Deposit Account No. **11-0600**. A duplicate copy of this transmittal letter is enclosed for that purpose.

Respectfully submitted,

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